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Docket No. J&J-2086

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Katharine M. Martin, Claude Saliou
Serial No. : 10/052,315
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Title : COMPOSITION CONTAINING HEDYCHUM EXTRACT AND USE THEREOF

Art Unit : 1617
Examiner : Shaojia A. Jiang

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Honorable Commissioner of Patents
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RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of January 8, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows. A petition for extension of time until May 8, 2003 is also attached hereto.

In the Claims:

Please amend Claim 17 as follows:

17. (Amended) A method of regulating the firmness or tone of skin of a subject or regulating wrinkles in skin of a subject, said method comprising the topical administration to said subject a composition comprising:

- (a) a safe and effective amount of a Hedychium extract; and

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